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For: PURIFIED HEPATITIS C VIRUS ENVELOPE PROTEINS FOR DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC USE

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Responsive to the Official Action dated January 26, 2006, and Advisory Action of February 22, 2006, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested, the period for response having been extended up to and including May 26, 2006 by submission of the requisite petition and fee, attached.